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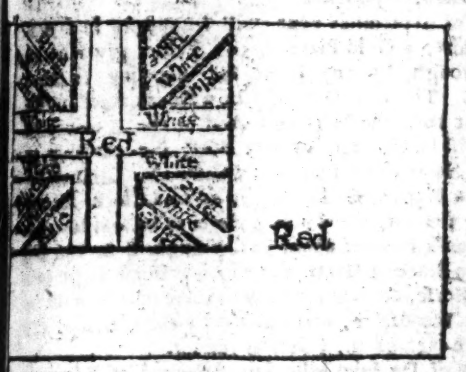
By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION,

Declaring what Enſign or Colours ſhall be Born at Sea in Merchant Ships or Veſſels belonging to any of Her Majeſties Subjects of *Great Britain*, and the Dominions thereunto belonging.

ANNE R.

WHereas by the *Firſt Article* of the Treaty of Union, as the ſame hath been Ratified and Approved by ſeveral Acts of Parliament, the One made in Our Parliament of England, and the other in Our Parliament of Scotland, *It was Provided and Agreed*, That the Enſigns Armorial of Our Kingdom of Great Britain be ſuch as We ſhould Appoint, and the Croſſes of Saint George and Saint Andrew Conjoyned in ſuch manner as We ſhould think fit, and Uſed in all Flags, Banners, Standards, and Enſigns, both at Sea and Land; We have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, to Order and Appoint the Enſign Deſcribed on the Side or Margent hereof, to be Worn on Board all Ships or Veſſels belonging to any of Our Subjects whatſoever, and to Iſſue this Our Royal Proclamation to Notifie the ſame to all Our Loving Subjects, hereby ſtrictly Charging and Commanding the Maſters of all Merchant Ships and Veſſels belonging to any of Our Subjects, whether Employed in Our Service or otherwiſe, and all other Perſons whom it may concern, to Wear the ſaid Enſign on Board their Ships or Veſſels. And whereas divers of Our Subjects have Preſumed on Board their Ships to Wear Our Flags, Jacks, and Pendants, which, according to Ancient Uſage, have been Appointed as a Diſtinction for Our Ships, and many times thinking to Evade the Puniſhment due for the ſame, have Worn Flags, Jacks, and Pendants, in Shape and Mixture of Colours a little different from Ours, as not without Difficulty to be Diſtinguiſhed therefrom, which Practice hath been found attended with manifold Inconveniencies: For Prevention of the ſame for the future, We do therefore, with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, hereby ſtrictly Charge and Command all Our Subjects whatſoever, That they do not Preſume to Wear in any of their Ships or Veſſels Our Jack, commonly called The Union-Jack, nor any Pendants, nor any ſuch Colours as are uſually Born by Our Ships, without particular Warrant for their ſo doing from Us, or Our High-Admiral of Great Britain, or the Commiſſioners for Executing the Office of High-Admiral, for the Time being: And do hereby alſo further Command all Our Loving Subjects, that, without ſuch Warrant, as aforeſaid, they Preſume not to Wear on Board their Ships or Veſſels any Flags, Jacks, Pendants, or Colours, made in Imitation of Ours, or any Kind of Pendant whatſoever, or any other Enſign than the Enſign deſcribed on the Side or Margent hereof, which ſhall be Worn inſtead of the Enſign before this Time uſually Worn in Merchant Ships: Saving that for the better Diſtinction of ſuch Ships as ſhall have Commiſſions of Letters of Mart or Reprizals againſt the Enemy, and any other Ships or Veſſels which may be Employed by the Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of Our Navy, the Principal Officers of Our Ordnance, the Commiſſioners for Victualling Our Navy, the Commiſſioners for Our Cuſtoms, and the Commiſſioners for Tranſportation for Our Service, relating particularly to thoſe Offices, Our Royal Will and Pleaſure is, That all ſuch Ships as have Commiſſions of Letters of Mart or Reprizals, ſhall, beſides the Colours or Enſign hereby Appointed to be Worn by Merchant Ships, Wear a Red Jack with a Union-Jack Deſcribed in a Canton at the upper Corner thereof next the Staff; and that ſuch Ships and Veſſels as ſhall be Employed for Our Service by the Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of Our Navy, the Principal Officers of Our Ordnance, the Commiſſioners for Victualling Our Navy, the Commiſſioners for Our Cuſtoms, and the Commiſſioners for Tranſportation for Our Service, relating particularly to thoſe Offices, ſhall Wear a Red Jack with a Union-Jack in a Canton at the upper Corner thereof next the Staff, as aforeſaid, and in the other Part of the ſaid Jack ſhall be Deſcribed the Seal uſed in ſuch of the reſpective Offices aforeſaid, by which the ſaid Ships and Veſſels ſhall be Employed. And We do ſtrictly Charge and Command, That none of Our Loving Subjects do Preſume to Wear any of the ſaid Diſtinction-Jacks, unleſs they ſhall have Commiſſions of Letters of Mart or Reprizals, or be Employed in Our Service by any of the before-mentioned Offices. And We hereby Require Our High-Admiral, and Commiſſioners for Executing the Office of High-Admiral, the Governors of Our Forts and Caſtles, the Officers of Our Cuſtoms, and the Commanders or Officers of any of Our Ships, for the Time being, upon their Meeting with, or otherwiſe Obſerving any Ships or Veſſels belonging to any of Our Subjects, Neglecting to Wear the Enſign hereby Appointed to be Born, as aforeſaid, or Wearing any Flag, Pendant, Jack, or Enſign, contrary hereunto, whether at Sea, or in Port, not only to Seize, or cauſe any ſuch Flag, Pendant, Jack, or Enſign, Worn contrary to Our Royal Will and Pleaſure herein Expreſſed, to be forthwith Seized, but alſo to Return the Names of ſuch Ships and Veſſels Neglecting to Wear the Enſign hereby Appointed, or Wearing any Flag, Pendant, Jack, or Enſign, contrary hereunto, together with the Names of their reſpective Maſters or Commanders; unto Our High-Admiral, or Commiſſioners for Executing the Office of High-Admiral, or the Judge of Our High-Court of Admiralty, for the Time being, to the end all Perſons Offending may be duly Puniſhed for the ſame. And we do hereby Command and Enjoyn the Judge and Judges of Our High-Court of Admiralty, for the Time being, That they make ſtrict Enquiry concerning all ſuch Offenders, and cauſe them to be duly Puniſh'd; And all Vice-Admirals and Judges of the Vice-Admiralties, are hereby alſo Required to Proceed in the like Manner within the ſeveral Ports and Places belonging to their reſpective Precincts. And Our further Pleaſure is, That this Proclamation ſhall take Place according to the Times hereafter mention'd, viz. For all Ships in the Channel or Britiſh Seas, and in the North Sea, after Twelve Days from the Date of theſe Preſents; and from the Mouth of the Channel unto Cape Saint Vincent, after Six Weeks from the Date of theſe Preſents; and beyond the Cape, and on this ſide the Equinoctial Line, as well in the Ocean and Mediterranean, as elſewhere, after Ten Weeks from the Date of theſe Preſents; and beyond the Line, after the ſpace of Eight Months from the Date of theſe Preſents.



Given at Our Court at *Windſor* the Twenty eighth Day of *July*, in the Sixth Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the QUEEN.

Windſor, Auguſt 7. The following Addreſſes from the Houſes of Parliament in *Ireland*, having been tranſmitted by his Excellency the Earl of *Pembroke*, Lord Lieutenant of that Kingdom, were preſented to Her Majeſty by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Sunderland*, one of Her Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Moſt Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament aſſembled, do with all Humility congratulate the Glorious Succeſs of Your Majeſty's Endeavours, for ſecuring by Your Arms Abroad the Liberties of Europe; and the Welfare of Your Subjects at Home, by uniting Great Britain into One Body, under the ſame Proteſtant Succeſſion, to the Throne of all Your Dominions.

We are ſenſible how effectual a Means that will prove to prevent the Attempts of Papiſts from diſturbing the Quiet of Your Majeſty's Empire, and more particularly of this Kingdom, that has been ſo often endanger'd by them.

May You go on, and extend Your Favour to all Your Subjects, till none are excluded from ſo great a Bleſſing, but ſuch as by their own Frowardneſs or Diſaffection to the Publick Good debar themſelves from the general Advantages of Your Majeſty's Glorious Reign: And do hope, Your Majeſty's unparallel'd Goodneſs and Wiſdom will conquer even thoſe, and make them ſenſible of their true Intereſt.

We with Joy obſerve the Aſſurances of Your continued Affection to the Church, in putting us of this Kingdom on the ſame Foot as to Religion with England, by obliging all Your Succeſſors at their Coronation to take and ſubſcribe an Oath to maintain and preſerve inviolably the Settlement thereof in Doctrine, Worſhip, Diſcipline, and Government, as by Law eſtabliſh'd in this Realm.

We with the ſame Gratitude acknowledge Your Majeſty's tender Concern for our Temporal Happineſs, manifeſted in ſo many Inſtances, particularly in Your chooſing for our Chief Governors thoſe that have ſhewed greateſt Regard for our Proſperity; and for this laſt ſignal Inſtance, in ſending his Excellency the Earl of Pembroke to be Your Lieutenant here, whoſe Integrity and Prudence in managing many great and different Truſts have been ſo eminent, that they leave no room for us to doubt, but that the like Succeſs will attend his Government here, which has accompanied him in all his other Employments.

Your Majeſty's putting this Kingdom into the Hands of one ſo able to execute Your gracious Intentions, is a freſh Evidence that Your Majeſty deſigns yet greater Favours for us.

We with loyal and chearful Hearts promiſe Your Majeſty, That, to the Utmoſt of our Ability, we will contribute to carry on the Common Cauſe of Europe, in which Your Majeſty is ſo eminently and happily engaged, and all other Your Majeſty's pious and generous Undertakings: And that we will avoid, with our greateſt Care, contending among our ſelves about any other thing but who ſhall be moſt zealous for Your Majeſty's Service, and moſt earneſt in our Prayers to God for the long continuance of ſo great a Bleſſing, as we are convinc'd Your Majeſty's Life is to the World.

To which Addreſs Her Majeſty was graciouſly pleas'd to return the following Anſwer:

ANNE R.

HER Majeſty returns their Lordſhips Her hearty Thanks for their Addreſs, and is very ſenſible of their Zeal for Her's and the Publick Service. Her Majeſty is alſo very well pleaſed with